

Shutts & Bowen Attorneys Listed in Best Lawyers in America® 2023 Edition

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Shutts & Bowen is proud to announce 127 attorneys were recognized by their peers for inclusion in the 2023 Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®. Among them are several partners who were also selected as a “Lawyer of the Year” in their respective fields: [Arthur J. Menor](#) (Real Estate Law); [Patricia A. Leonard](#) (Litigation – Banking & Finance); [Frank A. Zacherl](#) (Litigation - Insurance); [James F. Johnston](#) (Government Relations Law); [Michael L. Gore](#) (Litigation – Banking & Finance); [Joseph M. Goldstein](#) (Administrative/Regulatory Law); and [Woodrow H. Pollack](#) (Patent Law).

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The following is a list of the Shutts attorneys named and the areas in which they are recognized.

FORT LAUDERDALE

Best Lawyers

- [Brendan Aloysius Barry](#): Real Estate Law
- [David O. Batista](#): Commercial Litigation
- Marshall J. Emas: Real Estate Law
- [Joseph M. Goldstein](#): Administrative / Regulatory Law
- [Sandra E. Krumbein Sadoy](#): Real Estate Law

Ones to Watch

- [Deedee Bitran](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation – Labor and Employment; Labor and Employment Law – Management

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JACKSONVILLE

Best Lawyers

- Jeffrey S. York: Commercial Litigation

Ones to Watch

- Frank T. Moya: Commercial Litigation; Construction Law

MIAMI

Best Lawyers

- Joseph D. Bolton: Real Estate Law
- [Bowman Brown](#): Banking and Finance Law; Corporate Law; Insurance Law; International Trade and Finance Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- [Robert Cheng](#): Real Estate Law
- [Gary J. Cohen](#): Tax Law
- [J. Thomas Cookson](#): Banking and Finance Law; Corporate Law; Securities/Capital Markets Law
- Kevin D. Cowan: Real Estate Law
- [Luis A. de Armas](#): Corporate Law; International Mergers & Acquisitions; International Trade and Finance Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- [Steven M. Ebner](#): Commercial Litigation
- Arthur J. Furia: Banking and Finance Law; Corporate Law; International Mergers & Acquisitions
- [Roland A. Gallor](#): Real Estate Law
- [Stephen B. Gillman](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Banking and Finance; Litigation - Securities
- Larry I. Glick: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Litigation - Bankruptcy
- [Florentino L. Gonzalez](#): Real Estate Law
- [Rene J. Gonzalez-Llorens](#): Employment Law - Management
- [Harris J. Koroglu](#): Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Litigation - Bankruptcy

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- [Douglas Kramer](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Jeffrey M. Landau](#): Insurance Law
- [Patrick J. Lannon](#): Trusts and Estates
- [Peter H. Levitt](#): Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- [Lee D. Mackson](#): Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Litigation – Bankruptcy
- [William G. McCullough](#): Banking and Finance Law
- [John E. Meagher](#): Insurance Law; Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants
- [Francis E. Rodriguez](#): Corporate Law; Trusts and Estates
- [Julissa Rodriguez](#): Appellate Practice
- [Alette DelPozo Rodz](#): Litigation - Construction
- [Margaret A. Rolando](#): Real Estate Law
- [Scott H. Silver](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation – Banking and Finance; Litigation – Bankruptcy
- [Alfred G. Smith](#): Corporate Law
- [William F. Smith](#): Banking and Finance Law
- [J. Donald Wasil](#): Real Estate Law
- [Bryan S. Wells](#): Banking and Finance Law
- [Frank A. Zacherl](#): Litigation – Insurance

Ones to Watch

- [Martha M. Ferral](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Mayte Pena](#): Insurance Law
- [Eduardo H. Rivero](#): Insurance Law
- [Oliver Sepulveda](#): Commercial Litigation; Insurance Law
- [Cari R. Shapiro](#): Insurance Law
- [Aleksey Shtivelman](#): Commercial Litigation

ORLANDO

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- [Charles B. Costar, III](#): Banking and Finance Law; Land Use and Zoning Law; Real Estate Law
- [Donald J. Curotto](#): Litigation - Real Estate; Real Estate Law
- [John H. Dannecker](#): Construction Law; Litigation – Construction; Litigation – Real Estate
- [Jeffrey S. Elkins](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Michael L. Gore](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Banking and Finance
- [Michael J. Grindstaff](#): Litigation - Real Estate; Real Estate Law
- [Jason W. Hill](#): Construction Law
- [Russell P. Hintze](#): Mergers and Acquisitions Law; Tax Law
- [Mary Ruth Houston](#): Employment Law – Management; Labor Law – Management; Litigation - Labor and Employment
- [J. Gregory Humphries](#): Corporate Law
- [Juli Simas James](#): Environmental Law; Land Use and Zoning Law; Real Estate Law
- [James F. Johnston](#): Government Relations Practice; Real Estate Law
- [Roderick N. Jones](#): Banking and Finance Law
- [Todd F. Kobrin](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation – Construction
- [Christian M. Leger](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Jack C. McElroy](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Banking and Finance
- [Daniel T. O'Keefe](#): Real Estate Law
- [Eric C. Reed](#): Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- [Brett Renton](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Paul J. Scheck](#): Employment Law – Management; Labor Law – Management; Litigation – Labor and Employment
- [Jennifer Sommerville](#): Appellate Practice
- [Erik F. Szabo](#): Litigation – Construction
- [James A. Timko](#): Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Litigation - Bankruptcy
- [Jennifer Slone Tobin](#): Litigation – Real Estate; Real Estate Law
- [James G. Willard](#): Real Estate Law
- [Jason G. Williams](#): Real Estate Law

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- Kelscey A. Boyle: Litigation - Construction
- [Benjamin F. Elliott](#): Commercial Litigation
- Justin A. Green: Commercial Litigation
- Michael Kelley: Commercial Litigation; Construction Law; Real Estate Law
- [Bruce T. Lower](#): Real Estate Law
- Emily M. Martin: Commercial Litigation; Construction Law; Litigation – Construction
- Maureen K. Rogers: Appellate Practice; Construction Law; Litigation – Construction
- [Elesa R. Sowell](#): Real Estate Law

SARASOTA

- [Charla M. Burchett](#): Trusts and Estates
- [John Patterson](#): Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships); Corporate Law; Real Estate Law
- [E. Zachary Rans](#): Construction Law; Real Estate Law
- [Michael E. Siegel](#): Real Estate Law

TALLAHASSEE

Best Lawyers

- George N. Meros, Jr.: Administrative/Regulatory Law; Appellate Practice; Litigation – Health Care; Litigation – Labor and Employment; Mass Tort Litigation/Class Action – Defendants

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- [Amber S. Nunnally](#): Appellate Practice
- [Tara R. Price](#): Appellate Practice; Government Relations Practice

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TAMPA

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- [Eric S. Adams](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation – Real Estate
- [Steven K. Barber](#): Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law; Litigation – ERISA
- [Matthew Blackshear](#): Banking and Finance Law; Mortgage Banking Foreclosure Law; Real Estate Law
- [Amanda B. Buffinton](#): Construction Law; Litigation – Construction
- [Tirso M. Carreja, Jr.](#): Commercial Litigation; Communications Law; Litigation – Real Estate; Real Estate Law
- [Meredith Delcamp](#): Commercial Litigation; Construction Law; Land Use and Zoning Law; Litigation – Real Estate; Real Estate Law
- [Meredith Freeman](#): Commercial Litigation; Construction Law; Litigation – Construction; Litigation - Real Estate
- [R. Alan Higbee](#): Agriculture Law; Business Organizations (including LLCs and Partnerships); Corporate Compliance Law; Corporate Governance Law; Corporate Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- [Jordan G. Lee](#): Closely Held Companies and Family Businesses Law; Litigation – Trusts and Estates; Tax Law; Trusts and Estates
- [Erik R. Matheney](#): Commercial Litigation; Criminal Defense: White-Collar; Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions – Defendants; Personal Injury Litigation – Defendants
- [Matthew J. Meyer](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation – Real Estate
- [Lee E. Nelson](#): Banking and Finance Law; Real Estate Law
- [Eric E. Page](#): Commercial Litigation; Land Use and Zoning Law; Litigation – Land Use and Zoning; Litigation – Real Estate
- [Olga M. Pina](#): Corporate Governance Law; Corporate Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law
- [Woodrow H. Pollack](#): Copyright Law; Information Technology Law; Litigation - Intellectual Property; Litigation – Patent; Patent Law; Trademark Law
- [Ryan C. Reinert](#): Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Commercial Litigation; Litigation – Bankruptcy; Mortgage Banking Foreclosure Law
- [Ella A. Shenhav](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Michael P. Silver](#): Appellate Practice; Commercial Litigation
- [Lonnie L. Simpson](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation – Securities

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- [James Terpening](#): Construction Law; Litigation – Construction
- [Frederick S. Werdine](#): Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law
- [Adam S. Woodruff](#): Banking and Finance Law; Commercial Transactions/UCC Law; Corporate Law; Real Estate Law
- [Timothy D. Woodward](#): Commercial Litigation; Construction Law; Litigation – Construction; Litigation – Real Estate

Ones to Watch

- [Alyssa L. Cory](#): Appellate Practice
- Kasey A. Feltner: Commercial Litigation; Land Use and Zoning Law
- [S. Elizabeth King](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Garrett A. Tozier](#): Appellate Practice; Commercial Litigation

WEST PALM BEACH

Best Lawyers

- [Rikki Lober Bagatell](#): Real Estate Law
- [Matthew Chait](#): Commercial Litigation
- [Eric C. Christu](#): Commercial Litigation
- James A. Farrell: Health Care Law
- David A. Gart: Trusts and Estates
- Hank Jackson: Litigation - Intellectual Property
- [Patricia A. Leonard](#): Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Banking and Finance
- [Arthur J. Menor](#): Real Estate Law
- [Harvey E. Oyer III](#): Land Use and Zoning Law; Real Estate Law
- Steven R. Parson: Real Estate Law
- [Matthew S. Sackel](#): Commercial Litigation



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- Alexander Schneider: Litigation – Intellectual Property
- Sean M. Smith: Commercial Litigation; Construction Law; Litigation – Construction

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